

Forge River Watershed, Suffolk County, NY Ecosystem Restoration and Flood Damage Reduction

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DESCRIPTION

The Forge River is located in the town of Brookhaven on the South Shore of Long Island, near the Village of Mastic in Suffolk County, New York. The river has been classified by the NYSDEC as an impaired waterway. Discoloration and odor suggest that the waterway has deteriorated and may pose a health and safety risk to users and nearby communities. Areas of the river are experiencing erosion and alterations to landforms along the banks, and sediment rich in nutrients may be the result of a history of duck farming along the river, as well as other possible groundwater intrusion sources.

AUTHORIZATION: House of Representatives, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Resolution, Docket Number 2759, dated June 28, 2006

STATUS: The District completed a 905(b) Reconnaissance Report in September 2008. The 905(b) Reconnaissance Report determined there is Federal interest in continuing on to the feasibility phase of study. A Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement [FCSA] with the Town of Brookhaven was signed on December 11, 2009. The 2009 FCSA study costs were estimated at \$3,000,000 at a 50-50 cost share [50% Federal and 50% Non-Federal]. With the execution of the FCSA, the New York District has initiated the feasibility study. The Non-Federal partner is currently collecting baseline data [as in-kind service credit]. FY12 activities will include additional baseline data collection and model design and oversite coordination.

STUDY COST:

	Federal	Non-Federal [Brookhaven]	
Reconnaissance Phase	\$ 100,000	\$	0
Feasibility Phase	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,0	000

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